Homework 3

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1 Problem Set 1

1.1 Problem 1

What is the rank of the matrix A?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 5 & 4 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
A <- t(matrix(c(1 , 2 ,3 , 4,

-1 , 0 , 1 , 3,

0 , 1 , -2 , 1,

5 , 4 , -2 , -3), nrow = 4, ncol = 4))
```

Since A is a square matrix of (4 x 4) and the determinate is -9 which is \neq 0, the rank is simply 4

Below is my attempt to create a function to rank matrix A and matrix B in problem 3 programmatically. I think that the part of the function that calculates the determinates of the submatrices could be improved.

```
}
Matrix.Rank <- function(A){</pre>
                sq.matrix <- (as.integer(ncol(A)) == as.integer(nrow(A)))</pre>
                if (all(A == 0)){
                  return(0)
                } else if (sq.matrix == TRUE){
                  det.0 \leftarrow det(A) != 0
                  if (det.0 == TRUE) {
                  return(as.integer(ncol(A)))
                  } else if (subdet(A,ncol(A)) != 0) {
                   return(as.integer(ncol(A))-1)
                  } else {
                      return(1)
                    }
                  }
                }
Matrix.Rank(A)
```

[1] 4

1.2 Problem 2

Given an mxn matrix where m > n, what can be the maximum rank? The minimum rank, assuming that the matrix is non-zero?

The maximum rank of a rectangular matrix is the maximum columns or rows for the lesser value. Therefore, given an mxn matrix where m > n, the maximum rank is n.

Assuming the rectangular matrix has at least one non-zero element, it's minimum rank must be greater than zero, therefore the minimum rank would be 1.

1.3 Problem 3

What is the rank of matrix B?

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
B <- t(matrix(c(1,2,1,3,6,3,2,4,2), ncol = 3, nrow = 3))
```

This matrix rows that are linearly dependent, R2 = 3, 6, 3 and R3 = 2, 4, 2 are mulitples of R1 = 1, 2, 1. This made my function more challenging because the determinates of the submatrices of B are also = 0. However, as long as there is at least one non-zero element in the matrix the minimum rank will be = 1.

```
Matrix.Rank(B)
```

[1] 1

2 Problem Set 2

Compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix A. You'll need to show your work. You'll need to write out the characteristic polynomial and show your solution.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$det(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}) = 0$$

$$det(\begin{bmatrix} \lambda - 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & \lambda - 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda - 6 \end{bmatrix}) = 0$$

which reduces to:

$$(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 4)(\lambda - 6) = 0$$

therefore, our Eigen Values are:

$$\lambda_1 = 1; \lambda_2 = 4; \lambda_3 = 6$$

 $A \leftarrow t(matrix(c(1, 2, 3, 0, 4, 5, 0, 0, 6), nrow = 3, ncol=3))$